

REPORT TO FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 05, 2021

SUBJECT 2021 Provincial Budget Highlights

ISSUE SUMMARY

To provide the Committee with a high level review of potential impacts on CRD services in the 2021 Provincial Budget.

BACKGROUND

On April 20, 2021, Finance Minister Selina Robinson introduced the 2021 Provincial Budget in the legislature. This information report is intended to provide highlights on items relating to the Capital Regional District, Capital Regional Hospital District, and Capital Region Housing Corporation. While these highlights have been focused on organizational impacts, there was an attempt to include potential implications for member municipalities and electoral areas.

This is not intended to be a comprehensive budget review.

IMPLICATIONS

Refer to Appendix A for a CRD, CRHD, and CRHC perspective on the Provincial Budget including potential impacts to member municipalities and electoral areas. Highlights also include potential services that may be impacted by provincial initiatives.

Refer to Appendix B: Provincial Budget and Fiscal Plan, the main budget document from the Ministry of Finance that lays out the Province's three-year fiscal plan, including economic outlook, revenues, spending, tax measures, and forecasting risks and assumptions.

RECOMMENDATION

The Finance Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board: That the 2021 Provincial Budget Highlights report be received for information.

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ATTACHMENT(S)

Appendix A: 2021 Provincial Budget Highlights

Appendix B: Ministry of Finance – Provincial Budget and Fiscal Plan